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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No.	:	10/009,254	Confirmation No.: 8298
Applicant	:	Elizabeth E. Adderson et al.	
Title	:	GENES FROM VIRULENT GROUP B STREPTOCOCCUS AGALACTIAE	
Filed	:	December 10, 2001	
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Examiner	:	Sarvamangala J N Devi	
Docket No.	:	1321.2.29.1	
Customer No.	:	21552	

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action of March 17, 2005. A Petition for Extension of Time (3 months) is filed concurrently herewith to extend the response deadline until September 17, 2005. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.